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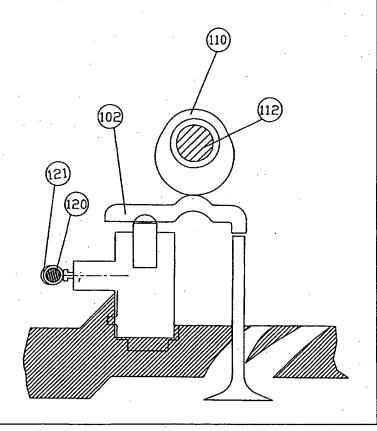
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A valve control arrangement for internal combustion engines in which a hydraulic valve actuator with integral fluid reservoir is interactive with two camshafts (110, 120) to continuously and independently vary the valve duration. A modified intake system is provided to increase the effective area of the valves.



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